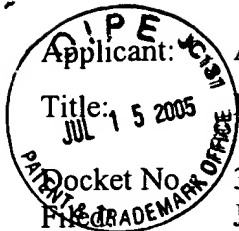


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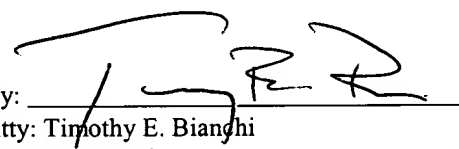
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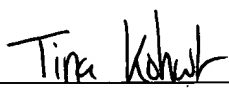
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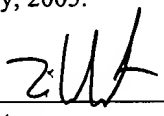
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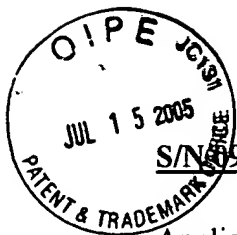
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REMARKS

This responds to the Office Action dated on March 15, 2005.

This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a one-month extension of the period for responding to the Office Action, thereby moving the deadline for response from June 15, 2005 to July 15, 2005.

No claims are amended, canceled, or added; as a result, claims 1-59 remain pending in this application.

§103 Rejection of the Claims

Claims 1-59 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Riley et al. (Application Serial No. 09/747,422)(hereinafter "Riley") in view of Armstrong, II et al. (Application Serial No. 09/755,658)(hereinafter "Armstrong, II"). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

Applicant elects to traverse the rejections based on the deficiencies in the rejections. In so doing, Applicant reserves the right to swear behind the references at a future date. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are patentable over Riley in view of Armstrong, II for at least the reasons argued below.

The Office Action rejected claims 1-59 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based on the combination of Riley in view of Armstrong, II. In combining the references, the Office Action on Page 3 asserts:

"At the time of the invention, it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art to include the locking mechanism of Armstrong, II in the system of Riley to conditionally lock the linked list."